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Accordingly The Lotus Magazine offers what probably is the most comprehensive review of the exhibition that has appeared in print. And further, in order to make the record of this important event complete, it gives two lists of the pictures. One is arranged under the names of the artists, the other under the names of the lenders, The Lotus Magazine being the only periodical that has, through its art connections, been able to identify the owners of these valuable paintings—a loan exhibition carrying, it is said, an insurance of six million dollars.

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